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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN FROM AMBASSADOR HILLENBRAND

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, MARR, GW, US
SUBJ: OFFSET

REF: STATE 301316

1. IN THE ABSENCE OF STATE SECRETARY HERMES WE HAVE PASSED MESSAGE PARA 1 REFTEL TO MUEHLEN (FONOFF).
2. MUEHLEN HAS REPORTED OUTCOME OF THE VINE TALKS TO GENSCHER AND THE CHANCELLOR, BUT HAS NOT YET RECEIVED ANY FURTHER GUIDANCE. HE WILL GO BACK TO CHANCELLOR FOR GUIDANCE AFTER CHANCELLOR RETURNS TO BONN IN JANUARY AND AFTER HE, MUEHLEN, HAS EXPLORED POSITION FURTHER WITH HIS COLLEAGUES--WHICH HE HAD STOPPED DOING ON BASIS OF HERMES' INSTRUCTIONS REPORTED BONN 20358.
3. MUEHLEN ASKED WHEN HE CAN EXPECT US REACTION TO THE GERMAN PAPER HE GAVE US DURING MEETINGS WITH VINE. WE IN TURN REQUESTED A REACTION TO THE MESSAGE IN REFTEL.

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4. MUEHLEN WAS GENERALLY NOT TOO ENCOURAGING ON

POSSIBILITY OF QUICK PROGRESS IN VIEW OF CHANCELLOR'S
STRONG FEELINGS. HE FELT HOWEVER OUR DISCUSSIONS
WOULD BE MUCH EASIER IF THEY FOLLOWED, RATHER THAN
PRECEDED, SETTLEMENT ON BRIGADE 76 FINANCING BETWEEN
OUR RESPECTIVE DEFENSE MINISTRIES. IN THIS CONNECTION
HE INQUIRED WHETHER WE HAD ANY WORD ON RUMSFELD/LEBER
DISCUSSION DURING NATO MINISTERIAL.
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